

Dayton, Oreg.  
Tuesday.

Dear Vicki & Jim.

Greetings from tropical Oregon! Summer finally caught up with us this past week or so - its been in the high 80's and low 90's and pretty muggy too. But we're not complaining too much yet - since it was so long in arriving!

We had a call from Jerry last nite saying he had shipped his car and that it would arrive in Oakland July 29th and he thought he'd fly back on the 28th to be there to claim it when it did get there. So I hope it is on schedule. There's a dock strike on but he says the Navy has a contract that they have to honor so it should be unloaded. He asked me if he'd like to fly down and ride back up with him and I guess he will since it's "on a weekend" - Jerry said he's had some trouble

with the cooling system or some-  
thing - so I hope it can make  
the trip back to Oregon! He'd best  
drive pretty slowly, perhaps.

He asked when and where you  
two were going to be in Calif and  
I didn't really know, of course -  
I thought it would be later on in  
Aug. Do you know for sure yet?  
at any rate Jerry should be here  
when you come - He reports to  
San Diego Aug. 31st and will go  
on board the Kitty Hawk, which  
he thinks will cruise off Calif.  
and the west coast until the  
first of the year and then go to  
Japanese waters - We're real  
puzzled for him to get home  
and think it's really great that  
we should all be together, even  
if briefly!

We celebrated grandpa & Francis  
silver anniversary Sunday at our

house - we had a beppet dinner and then the pretty cake and homemade strawberry ice cream (made by Jim & Louise in their new electric freezer -) we had a real nice day with lots of good food and visiting even tho it was awfully hot - Ken and Craig went skinning in the afternoon - I haven't even gone down to the river yet! I was so busy (and tired) the two weeks the p.m. was on vacation that I couldn't have gotten around to going down on one of the warm evenings. And Sunday was busy too - when George comes we'll probably go up to Detroit for a few days if he wants to -

Today dad's home painting in the dining room & kitchen and Uncle is putting down the floor under-layment prior to putting down the new floor covering - which I must order this afternoon! They're

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having a couple of days of waiting  
for some big overhead doors for  
Laughlin's Shop -

How are you two making it  
back there? Sounds like a good  
idea to eat outdoors - Do you  
have shade trees, I trust? Are  
you still taking tennis classes?  
Or making more ceramic goodies?  
And how is Jim standing the bus  
ride in the heat? Or maybe he's  
driving these days leaving you to  
your bicycling?? Ken goes out  
riding in the evenings quite often  
and enjoys it -

Well it's nearly noon and  
I must close & get ready to go  
home for lunch and a hot shopping  
tour to Mac - Hope you two are  
real fine and we're looking forward  
so to seeing you in Aug. Bye for  
now -

Lots of love,

Mom & Dad.